वाराणसी में खर्च हो चुके ह और समीक्षा करने के बाद सरकार किस नतीजे पर पहुंची है और जो लक्ष्य था उसमें से कितने प्रतिशत की पूर्ति हुई है यह मैं जानना चाहता हूं ?

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA : Sir, the total amount for Uttar Pradesh—there are three States involved here, you have got Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal, but as far as Uttar Pradesh is concerned—for this scheme is Rs. 140 crores has been sanctioned.

*207. [*The questioner (Shri Sudhir Ranjan Majumdar) was absent. For answer vide col .... infra*]

**Council for physiotherapists and occupational therapists**

*208. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 912 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 1992, and state :

(a) the names of the Ministries which were asked to comment on the proposed formation of the council for physiotherapists and occupational therapists;

(b) which of the Ministries have sent their comments and the details thereof; and

(c) when a legislation is proposed to be brought by Government ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) and (b) Comments were sought from the Ministries of Welfare, Human Resource Development, Science and Technology and Finance which have since been received.

(c) The question of legislation would be considered after a view is taken on the formation of a Council.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA : Sir, Mr. Bapu Kaldate and I had asked the same question earlier and it was answered on 5th of May and the answer was almost the same. Now, I would like to know from the Minister whether the Government will consider formation of a separate cadre for occupational therapists because there is no financial constraint involved. And, how soon will it be done ?

SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR : Sir, there are a lot of demands from many paramedical professionals to have a separate council. And after receiving all these representations, the Government has formed a committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Sharma to decide whether we should have a separate council for all these paramedical staff or we should have an omnibus committee covering all these. And the Government has received that report recently and we have sent this report for the comment of the State Governments. After receiving the comments from the State Governments, the Government will take a view on the subject.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Please put your second supplementary.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA : Sir, I would like to know from the honourable Minister when this Committee was formed. Sir, my question is about the physiotherapists and they are not paramedics. They are trained personnel who help in the rehabilitation of the patients in the orthopaedic departments. So, I would like to know how soon it will be done. Also, as I said earlier, I would like to know when this Committee was formed and whether any report has come from this Committee or not.

SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR : Sir, the Report was received in January 1992 and, in July 1992, we sent it to the State Governments for their comments. After receiving their comments, we will take a view on this question.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Now, Mr. Chaturanan Mishra.

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA : Sir, the point is that this question has been pending since 1992. There should be a time-limit for this and the Members should know about it. They say that they put the question to them and they put the question to another Ministry and another question was sent to the State Governments and the State Governments have not

sent their comments. Why are we sitting here and what are we supposed to do? Will the Minister, therefore, please tell us whether there is any time-limit for consultation or it will go on? Or, perhaps they are leaving it to the next Cabinet that is coming! What is the idea?

SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR: Sir, it is very much concerned with the State Governments. "Medics" is also looked after by the State Governments. From our side we will try our best to expedite and get the comments from the State Governments.

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: I want a time-limit. What is your reply?

SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR: Sir, we cannot give a time-limit because it is very much concerned with the State Governments. As soon as we get the comments from the State Governments, we will take a view on it because the Council concerns the State Governments also.

SHRI CATURANAN MISHRA: What will happen if there is no reply from them? Suppose there is no reply from the State Governments. Then nothing will be done on this. Are we to conclude that way? After all, what is going to happen? Something should be decided about that. Some procedure should be there. This question will be over now. Again, the Members will take up the same thing. So, I want to know whether any time-limit is there, what the procedure is and whether the Minister will take any personal initiative to talk to the State Governments and get the matter finalised.

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): Sir, I share the concern expressed by the honourable Member. The matter should not be kept pending for any length of time. We will remind the State Governments and expedite the matter.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No. 209. Mr. Ahluwalia.

*209. [*The questioner (Shri S. S. Ahluwalia) was absent. For answer vide col. .... infra*]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No. 210. Mr. Digvijay Singh.

**रेलवे स्टेशनों पर जी० आर० पी० द्वारा मनमानी/ज्यादती किए जाने के संबंध में शिकायतें**

*210. **श्री दिग्विजय सिंह† :**
**श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :**

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रेलवे स्टेशनों पर जी० आर० पी० द्वारा की जाने वाली मनमानी/ज्यादती के संबंध में सरकार को जनता से कोई शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने उन शिकायतों के आधार पर सम्बद्ध अधिकारियों के विरुद्ध कोई कार्यवाही की है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान जी० आर० पी० के निर्धारित कार्य की समीक्षा की है;

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका क्या परिणाम निकला है;

(च) क्या सरकार का जी० आर० पी० द्वारा यात्रियों/स्थानीय लोगों के साथ की जा रही ज्यादती को रोकने के लिए कोई कारगर उपाय करने का विचार है; और

(छ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As the Government Railway Police at the Railway Station functions under the control of the State Government concerned, and therefore complaints received from the public against Government Railway Police are being forwarded to the concerned G.R.P. Authorities for necessary action.

†सभा में यह प्रश्न श्री दिग्विजय सिंह द्वारा पूछा गया ।